

REMARKS

Claims 12-25 are pending. Claim 13, 19, 21 and 23 have been amended to overcome the Examiner's objection. No new matter has been added.

Claims 13-16 were objected to because of the term "the telecommunication terminal equipment" lacks antecedent basis. Claim 13 has been amended to overcome this objection. Applicant respectfully requests that this objection be withdrawn.

Claims 19, 21 and 23-25 were objected to for various informalities. Applicant has taken care to correct these informalities. Applicant respectfully requests that this objection be withdrawn.

Claims 12-19 and 21-22 were rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Nieminen et al., WO-9800951. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Nieminen is limited to a network environment which involves the Internet with Server and Client architecture. Nieminen clearly states that user terminals are connected to a public communications network (see pg. 1, second paragraph). The pending claims are all limited to an intelligent network. Nieminen does not disclose or suggest an intelligent network.

Furthermore, Nieminen discloses interfaces which are distributed to a terminal and provided to the user by the terminal. In contrast, according to the claimed invention, in addition to the interface, the claims recite that a part of the service logic of the intelligent network service runs outside of the service control point (SCP). It is noted that in previous devices, the services logic of the service was restricted to the SCP only. Nieminen does not disclose or suggest this feature.

In light of the foregoing, the features of claims 12-19 and 21-22 are not disclosed or suggested by Nieminen. Applicant respectfully requests that this rejection be withdrawn.

Claims 20 and 23-25 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Nieminen et al., as applied to claims 12-19 and 21-22. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

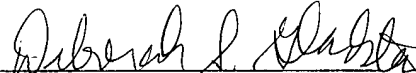
Claims 20 and 23-25 are allowable at least due to their respective dependencies.
Applicant respectfully requests that this rejection be withdrawn.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection of the claims and to pass this application to issue. If it is determined that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

In the event the U.S. Patent and Trademark office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 03-1952 referencing docket no.*. However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

Dated: January 5, 2004

Respectfully submitted,

By 
Deborah S. Gladstein

Registration No.: 43,636
MORRISON & FOERSTER LLP
1650 Tysons Blvd, Suite 300
McLean, Virginia 22102
(703) 760-7753